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In re application of: Agarwal et al.

Application No. 09/590,795

Filed: June 8, 2000

Confirmation No. 9849

For: METHODS FOR FORMING AND
INTEGRATED CIRCUIT STRUCTURES
CONTAINING RUTHENIUM AND
TUNGSTEN CONTAINING LAYERS

Examiner: Cuong Q. Nguyen

Art Unit: 2811

Attorney Reference No. 6047-53173

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
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NOTE: Request for Continued Examination Practice (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

☒ Enclosed☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS), PTO-1449 Form and reference.☒ Other Special Procedures Submission Petition to Withdraw Application from Issuance.

☒ Charge \$880.00, including \$750.00 RCE filing fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) and \$130.00 petition fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h) for Petition to Withdraw Application From Issuance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2), to Deposit Account No. 02-4550. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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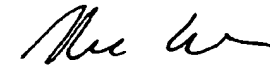
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**SPECIAL PROCEDURES SUBMISSION
PETITION TO WITHDRAW APPLICATION FROM ISSUANCE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.313(c)(2)**

Applicant hereby petitions for withdrawal of the present application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.313(c)(2) in order to consider a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) for submitting an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS). Attached herewith are an RCE and an IDS (including a copy of the cited document). Also attached herewith is a Transmittal Letter authorizing a charge to Deposit Account No. 02-4550 for a total amount of \$880.00, which includes \$750.00 for the RCE filing fee (37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)) and \$130.00 for the Petition fee (37 C.F.R. §1.17(h)).

A timely Notice regarding granting of this Petition is respectfully requested.

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**REQUEST FOR REFUND
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.26**

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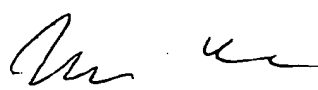
Applicants submitted a Special Procedures Submission Petition to Withdraw Application from Issuance Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2) and an Information Disclosure Statement on December 24, 2003 (Exhibit A). In a Request for Continued Examination Transmittal Letter of December 24, 2001 (Exhibit B), Applicants authorized payment of \$900.00 for the \$130.00 petition fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h) for Petition to Withdraw Application From Issuance, and the \$770.00 filing fee for the Request for Continued Examination.. A Monthly Statement of Deposit Account (Exhibit C) of January 2004 indicates that fees totaling \$1,800.00 have been charged to

our Deposit Account No. 02-4550 on January 6, 2004 and January 9, 2004. The \$900.00 charge was apparently charged to our account twice. Thus, Applicants have overpaid a total of \$900.00 and request that this amount be credited to Deposit Account No. 02-4550. A copy of this Request for Refund is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

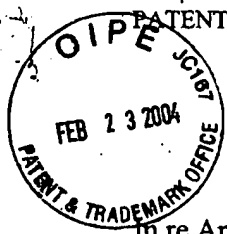
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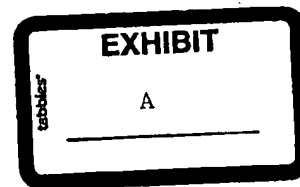
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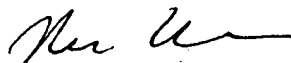
A timely Notice regarding granting of this Petition is respectfully requested.

Should there be any questions regarding this petition or application, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number shown below.

Respectfully submitted,

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3)**

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This Information Disclosure Statement and the enclosed reference listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are being filed to comply with the Applicants' duty of disclosure.

Applicants are filing this Information Disclosure Statement ("IDS") before the mailing date of a first Office action on the merits. As a result, no fee should be required to file this IDS. However, if the Patent Office determines that a fee is required for Applicants to file this IDS, please charge any such fees, or credit overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4550. A duplicate copy of this Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.

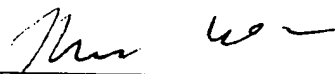
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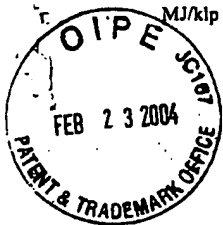
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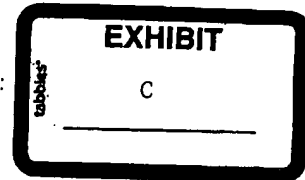
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